

FAMILY OWNED SINCE 1927



# PEDRONCELLI



## FAMILY VINEYARD SOURCES

This richly flavored grape, long known for its intense characteristics, has been grown side by side with Zinfandel in Dry Creek Valley for over 100 years. Petite Sirah has been planted on our vineyard since the early 1900s and used in our Zinfandel production as a key part of the blend. The "Family Vineyard" connection is with Carol Bushnell who is a third generation Pedroncelli; her vineyard has been a source of fruit since the 1940s. The resulting wine contains half the fruit from Estate vineyards and half from the Bushnell vineyard.

## WINEMAKING

Harvested by the third week of September following a warm growing season with concentrated flavors and aromas while providing softer tannins. The result is a very rich Petite Sirah with a very good structure and balance. The fruit was crushed into stainless steel tanks where frequent pumping-over of the juice during fermentation allowed the young wine a substantial increase in extraction of flavor. The wine was aged for twelve months in American oak barrels, one third new oak balanced with seasoned barrels. A touch of Zinfandel was added to highlight the fruit components.

## TASTING NOTES

Purple and dense in the glass. Our Petite Sirah offers rich aromas of ripe plum, vanilla and toasty oak. It shows very deep and complex flavors of blackberries, black pepper spice and dark chocolate that are highlighted by mocha notes. Full bodied, there is nothing 'petite' about this wine, and it is well structured with firm tannins and a long finish. It has the structure to age well over many years. Decant if desired.

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### APPELLATION

Dry Creek Valley,  
Sonoma County

### COMPOSITION

92% Petite Sirah  
8% Zinfandel

**BARRELAGING** 12 months in  
American Oak

**ALCOHOL** 14.1%

pH 3.54

**TOTAL ACIDITY** .615g/100mg

PETITE SIRAH | FAMILY VINEYARDS  
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## PEDRONCELLI WINERY

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